

administering said financial transaction data.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein said converting of said financial transaction data to said standard format comprises:

providing a template for import of said financial transaction data in an
5 electronic medium;

importing said financial transaction data;

creating an import specification for said standard format of each file; and

generating a unique import specification code to monitor said file.

6. The method of claim 1, wherein said converting of said financial transaction data to
10 said standard format comprises:

providing a template for export of said financial transaction data in an
electronic medium;

exporting said financial transaction data;

creating an export specification for said standard format of each file; and

15 generating a unique export specification code to monitor said file.

7. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

processing said financial transaction data using a mark to market processor.

8. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

processing said financial transaction data using a data conversion processor.

20 9. The method of claim 8, wherein said data conversion processor comprises:

managing a data file from said user;

converting said data file to a standard file format;

parsing said data file;

validating said data file;

converting a data field to a standard data field format;
inserting a filler data field for empty-fixed data fields;
mapping a standardized, populated data field according to said user's
preferences;

5 reconfiguring import specifications;
 creating new import specifications;
 reconfiguring export specifications;
 creating new export specifications; and
 logging errors.

10 10. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
 processing said financial transaction data using a reconciliation processor.

11. The method of claim 10, wherein said reconciliation processor comprises:
 configuring updated data fields;
 using one or more matching algorithms for a set of parties associated with
15 said financial transaction;
 prioritizing matching algorithms for said set of parties associated with said
financial transaction; and
 using tie-breaker rules when said matching algorithm returns more than one
or more market valuations for said financial transaction data associated with said
20 collateral match decision.

12. The method of claim 1, wherein said useful reports comprise a report of at least one
of the following:

 said collateral match decision;
 said market value;

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means for providing a template for export of said financial transaction data
in an electronic medium;

means for exporting said financial transaction data;

means for creating an export specification for said standard format of each

5 file; and

means for generating a unique export specification code to monitor said file.

20. The system of claim 14, further comprising:

means for processing said financial transaction data using a mark to market
processor.

10 21. The system of claim 14, further comprising:

means for processing said financial transaction data using a data conversion
processor.

22. The system of claim 21, wherein said data conversion processor comprises:

means for managing a data file from said user;

15 means for converting said data file to a standard file format;

means for parsing said data file;

means for validating said data file;

means for converting a data field to a standard data field format;

means for inserting a filler data field for empty-fixed data fields;

20 means for mapping a standardized, populated data field according to said
user's preferences;

means for reconfiguring import specifications;

means for creating new import specifications;

means for reconfiguring export specifications;

said user specified decision criteria for reconciling said financial
tion.

26. The system of claim 14, further comprising:

means for controlling a communications path for discussing said financial
5 transaction data and one or more associated market valuations among multiple
users.

27. A platform-independent automated collateral matching and mark to market reconciliation method for creating, managing, verifying, and confirming matched financial transactions, comprising:

10 displaying a user module for viewing, selecting, inputting, and transmitting
transaction data from a user to a network collateral matching and reconciliation
system;

receiving said transaction data upon submission by a user;

translating said transaction data upon submission by said user;

15 authenticating said transaction data upon submission by said user;

storing said transaction data upon submission by said user;

associating said transaction data with collateral matching parameters to determine a matching outcome;

using said transaction data associated with said matching outcome to

20 determine a mark to market valuation; and

transmitting said mark to market valuation to be displayed by said user interface.

28. The method of claim 27, further comprising:

auditing said transaction data upon submission by said user;

controlling a communications path for discussing said transaction data and attaching outcome among multiple users; and
generating useful reports.

29. A platform-independent automated collateral matching and mark to market
5 reconciliation system for creating, managing, verifying, and confirming matched
financial transactions, comprising:

means for displaying a user module for viewing, selecting, inputting, and transmitting transaction data from a user to a network collateral matching and reconciliation system;

10 means for receiving said transaction data upon submission by a user;
means for translating said transaction data upon submission by said user;
means for authenticating said transaction data upon submission by said
user;

means for storing said transaction data upon submission by said user;

15 means for associating said transaction data with collateral matching parameters to determine a matching outcome;

means for using said transaction data associated with said matching outcome to determine a mark to market valuation; and

means for transmitting said mark to market valuation to be displayed by said user interface.

30. The system of claim 29, further comprising:

means for auditing said transaction data upon submission by said user;

means for controlling a communications path for discussing said transaction data and said matching outcome among multiple users; and

means for generating useful reports.

31. A secure, platform-independent automated system for collateral matching and mark to market reconciliation, comprising:

a network automated collateral matching and mark to market reconciliation system coupled to at least one communications network having a plurality of users;

an interactive user module coupled with a network management system server connected to said communications network having a plurality of users;

a plurality of client terminals coupled to said interactive user module for user interaction with said network automated collateral matching and mark to market reconciliation system.

32. The system of claim 31, wherein said interactive user module comprises an application that is downloaded from a web-page to said network automated collateral matching and mark to market reconciliation system.

33. The system of claim 31, wherein said interactive user module is communicated to said network automated collateral matching and mark to market reconciliation system by one of an internet, an intranet, or an extranet.

34. The system of claim 31, wherein said communications network is a financial institution's communications network.